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In Re Application of
Applicant : M. Banatwala
Serial No. : 09/752,745
Filed : 29 Dec 2000
Examiner : John R. Brancolini
Art Unit : 2153
Entitled : Method and System for Providing Synchronous Communication and Person Awareness
in a Place
Docket No. : LOT920000028US1

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

(Large Entity)

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The requested extension is as follows (blacken time period desired):

- One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

The fee for the extension of time is \$ 110.00, and is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
 - The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to IBM Corporation Deposit Account 12-2158. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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